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Every Man. A moral Play.



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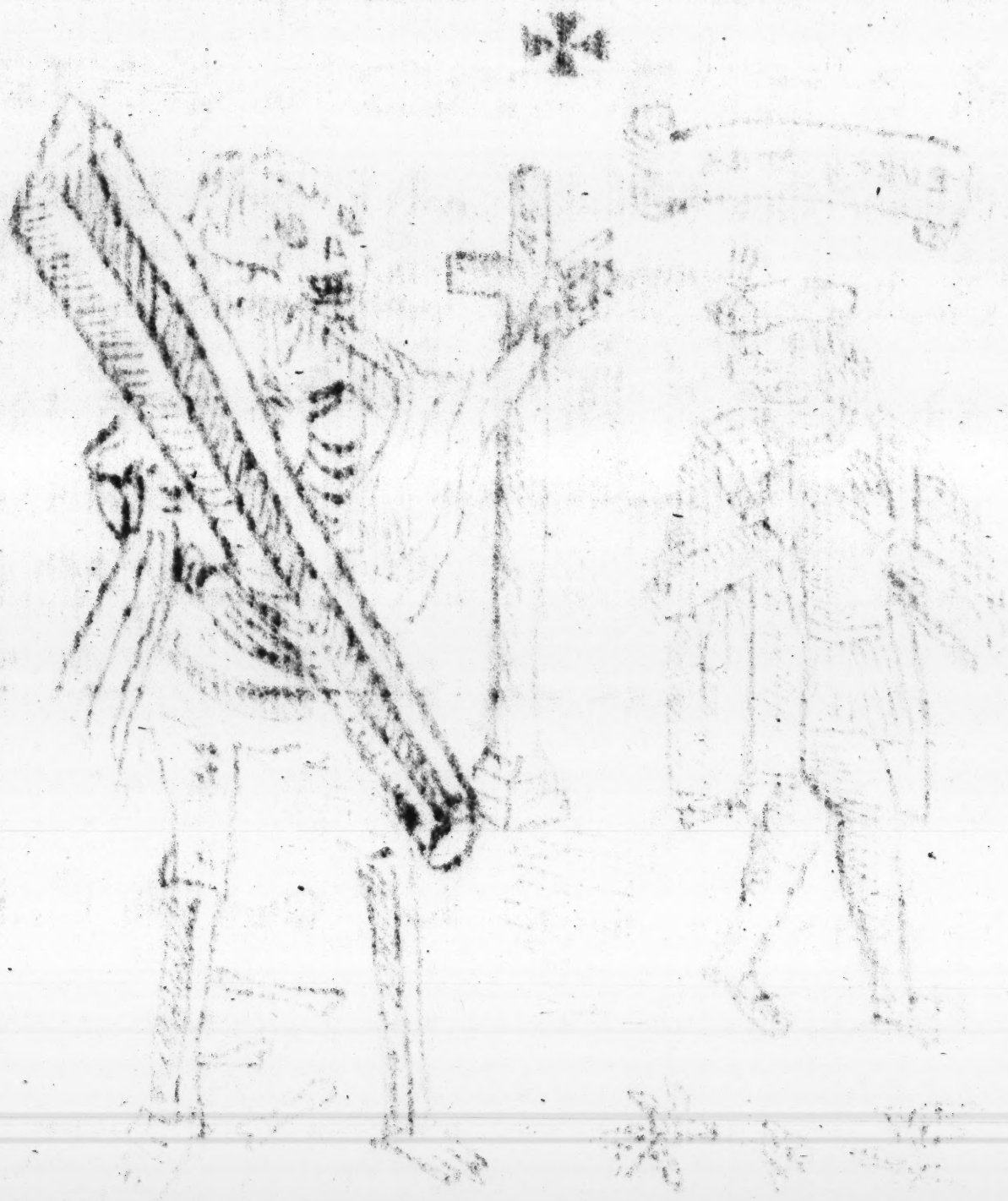
That copy is said at the end to be ~~a~~ Imprinted for John Skot, and considerably differs from this, as the collations in each page may shew. Like this it has no ~~the~~ current title, number of pages, or catch-word. But is printed on a much whiter & better paper.


NB. The number of Pages here prefixed ⁱⁿ ~~by~~ red ink, are merely supplied from conjecture; but care has been taken to give the signatures exact, as they occur in Skott's Edition.

Here begynneth a treatyse how y^e hye
 fader of heven sendeth delthe to so-
 mon every creature to come and
 gyve a counthe of theyr lyves in
 this worlde / and is in in maner
 of a morall playe. ~



Here becometh a creature from the
flesh of heaven which shall be
new every creature to come and
give a sample of their power in
this world and in the manner
of a royal plant.





 pray you all give ^{your} audience
 And here this mater with reverence
 By figure a morall playe

Mejager.

The somonyng of every mā called it is
 That of our lyues and endynge shewes
 Howe transytory we be all daye.

This mater is wonders precyous
 But the entent of it is more grayous


 And swete to bere awaye.

The story sayth man in the begynnyng
 Loke well and take good heed to the endynge
 Be you never so so gay
 Ye thynke synne in the begynnyng full swete
 Whiche in the ende can seth the soule to wepe
 Whan the body lyeth in claye

Here shall you se how felawshyp / and Polyte
 Bothe / Strengthe / pleasure / and beante
 Wyll fade from the as floure in maye
 For ye shall here how our heven kynge
 Callethe every man to a general rekenyng

The Som.

A. ij

Give audience and here what he doth says.

¶ God speaketh.

God.

¶ I perceive here in my maieste

How that all creatures be to me unkynde
 Lyvynge without drede in worldly prosperite
 Of ghostly sight the people be so blynde
 Drownd in synne they know me not for theyr god
 In worldlye ryches is all theyr mynde
 They fere not my right wysnes the sharpe rood
 My lawe that I shewed whan I for them dyed
 They forgete clene / and shedyng of my blode rede

a. ii. I hanged bytwene two it can not be denyed
 To gete them lyfe I suffered to be ded
 I heled theyr fete / wth thornes hurt was my heed
 I coude do no more than I dyde truly
 And now I se the people do clene forsake me
 They use the seven deadly synnes dampnable
 As pryde covetyse wrath and lechery
 Now in the worlde be made commendable

And thus they leve of aungelles yf heavenly company
 Every man lyveth so after his owne pleasure
 And yet of theyr lyfe they be nothing sure
 I se the more that I them forbere
 The worse they be fro yere to yere
 All that lyveth appayreth faste
 Therefore I wyll in all the haste
 Have a rekenyng of every mannes persone
 For and I leve the people thus alone
 In theyr lyfe and wycked tempestes
 Veryly they wyll become moche worse than bestes
 For now one wolde by envy another upste
 Charyte they do all cleere forgete
 I hoped well that every man
 In my glory sholde make his mansyon
 And thereto I had them all electe
 But now I se lyke traytours deicete
 They thanke me not for the pleasure y^t I to
 the ment

The Som.

A. iij.

Nor yet for theyr begynge that I them have lent
 I proferd the people grete multitude of mercy
 And fewe there be that aske it her by
 They be so comberd with worldly ryches
 That nedes on them I must do Justice
 On every man byvynge without fere
 Whome arte thou deth thou mighty mesen-
 gere

De the.

De the.

I Almighty god I am here at your wyll
 your commandement to fulfyll.

God.

I Go thou to every man
 And shewe hym in my name
 A pylgrymage he must on hym take
 Whiche he in no wyse may escape
 And that he bynge wth hym a sure rek^{en}.
 without delay or ony taryenge.

[A.M.]

De the

I Lorde I wyll in the worlde go renne over^{all}
 And unelley out ferche bothe grete & small

Every man wyll I beset that lyveth bee fly
Out of goddes lawes and dredeth not foly
He that loveth rycheesse I wyll stryke wth my darte
His syght to blynde and fro heven to departe
Excepte that almes be his good frende
In hell for to dwell worlde without ende
Soe yonder I se every man walkyng
Full lytell he thynketh on my comyng
His mynde is on flesshely lustes & his treasure
And grete payne it shall cause hym to endure
Before the lorde heven kynge
Every man stande styll whyder arte thou goyng
Thus gaily / hast thou thy maker forgete.

¶ Every man.

¶ Why askest thou
Woldest thou wete.

every mā.

¶ Ye fyr I wyll shewe you
In grete hast I am sende to the

De the.

To god out of his myggeste.

Every mā. ¶ What sente to me.

De the ^{a.iii.} ¶ Ye certainly.

Though thou have forgete hym here
He thynketh on the in the heavenly sphere
As or we departe thou shalte knowe.

every mā. ¶ What desyreth god of me.

De the. ¶ That shall I shewe the
A rekenynge he wyll nedes have
Without any longer respyte.

every mā. ¶ To give a rekenynge longer layser I crave
This blynde water troubleth my wytt.

De the. ¶ On the thou must take a longe journey
Therefore thy booke of counte wth the thou bynge
For tourne agayne thou can not by no waye
And loke thou be sure of thy rekenynge
For before god thou shalte aswere & shewe
Thy many badde dedes and good But a fewe

How thou hast spent thy life & in what wyse
Before the cheefe worde of paradise

Have I do we were in that wyse

For wete y^e well y^e shalte make none allowmay

¶ Full wrothy I am in chee & cherynge to give Every mā.

I knowe the not what me pessenger arte thou

¶ I am de the that no man dredeth De the.

For every man I rest and no man spareth

For it is goddes commandement

That all to me sholde be obedyent.

¶ O de the y^e comest whā I had y^e left in mynde Every mā

In thy power it lyeth me to save

Yet of my good wyl I give y^e yf thou wyl be kynde

Ye a thousande pounde (thou shalte) have

and differre this mater tyll an other daye

¶ Every man it may not be by no waye

De the.

I set not by godde sylver nor rycheesse

He by pope / emperour / kynge / duke he prynces
For and I wolde receyve gyftes grete
All the worlde I myght gete
But my custom is cleere contrary
I give the no respyte come hens and not tary.

Every mā
eye

¶ Alas shall I have no longer respyte
I may saye deth giveth no warnynge
To thynke on the it maketh my herte seke
For all unredy is my boke of rekenynge
But XII yere and I myght have abydynge
My countynge boke I wolde make so cleere
That my rekenynge I shold not rede to fere
Wherfore deth I praye the for goddes mercy
Spare me tyll I be provyded of remedy

De the

¶ The awayleth not to crye wepe and praye
But haſt the lightly that thou were gone y^e ^{image} ſourⁿ
And prove thy frendes yf thou can
For wete thou well the tyde abydeſth no man

And in the worlde eche byynge creature
For Adams synne must dye of nature.

¶ Yethe yf I sholde this pylgrymage take every mā
And my rekenynge shewly make

Shewe me for fygnt charyte

Sholde I not come agayne shortly.

¶ No every man and thou be ones there Yethe

Thou mayst never more come here

Trust me verily.

¶ O gracious god in the hye sete celestyall every mā

Have mercy on me in this moost need

Shall I have no company fro this vale teres^{tryall}

Of myne acqueynte that way ~~me~~ to lede

a. iv ¶ Ye yf ony be so hardy

Yethe.

That wolde go with the and bere the company

Hye the that y^e were gone to goddes magnyfyence

Thy rekenynge to gyve before his presence.

The Som.

B. ij.

What weneſt thou thy lyve is gyven the
And thy worldly goodes alſo.

Every mā. ¶ I had wende ſo veryle.

De the. ¶ Nay nay it was but leude the
For as ſone as thou arte go
Another ſhyle ſhall have it & than thou gother fro
Even as thou haſt done
Every man thou arte made y^e haſt thy wythes fyve
And here on erthe wyll not amende thy lyve
Nor ſodeynly I do come.

Every mā. ¶ O wretched caytyfe wheder ſhall I flee
That I myght ſcape this endles ſorowe
Now gentyll deſth ſpare me tyll to morowe
That I may amende me
With good adyſement

De the. ¶ Naye thereto I wyll not conſent
Nor no man wyll I reſpyte
But to the herte ſodeynly I ſhall ſmyte

Without any aduysment

And now out of thy syght I wyll me hys

Se thou make the redy shortly

For thou mayest saye this is the daye

That no man byynge may scape awaye

¶ Alas I may well wepe with sykes depe Every mā

Now have I no manner of company

To helpe me in my Journey and me to kepe

And also my wytynges is bryll unredy

How shall I do now for to excuse me

I wold to god I had never be gete

So my soule a full grette profyte it had be

For now I fere paynes huge and grette

The tyme passeth lorde helpe that all wrought

For though I mourne it awayleth nought

The day passeth and is almoost ago

I wote not well what for to do

To whome were I best my complaynt to make

The Sonn.

B. j.

[9]
What and I to felawshyp therof spake
And shewed hym of this sodayne chauce
For in hym is all myne affyaunce
We have in the worlde so many a daye
Be good frendes in sporte and playe
I se hym yonder certaynely
I trust that he wyll see me company
Therefore to hym wyll I speke to see my sorowe
Well mette good felawshyp and good morowe

¶ Felawshyp speaketh.

felawshyp. ¶ Everyman good morowe by this daye
Why lokest thou so piteously
If any thyng be a mysse I praye the me saye
That I maye helpe to remedy.

every mā. ¶ Ye good felawshyp ye
I am in greate jeopardde.

felawshyp. ¶ My true frende shewe to me your mynde
~~and~~ I wyll not forsake the to thy lyves ende

In the waye of good company.

¶ That was well spoken and lovynghly. every mā

¶ Syr I must needs knowe your hevynesse felawshyp

I have pyte to se you in any dystresse

If any have you ~~ye~~ wronged ye shall revenged be

Though I on the grounde be slayne for the

¶ Though that I knowe before that I sholde dye.

¶ Veryly felawshyp gramercy. every mā

¶ Suffre by thy thanks I set not a strawe felawshyp

Shewe me your greife and saye no more

¶ If I my herte sholde to you breke every mā

And than you to tourne your mynde fro me

And wold not me comforte whan ye here me ^{speke}

Than sholde I ten tymes soryer be

¶ Syr I saye as I wyll do in dede felawshyp

¶ Than be you a good frende at rede every mā

I have founde you true here before.

fellowshyp. ¶ And so ye shall evermore

~~For he that wyll saye and nothyng do~~

For in fayth and thou go to hell

I wyll not forsake the by the waye.

every mā. ¶ Ye speke lyke a good frende I beleve you well

I shall deserve it and I maye

fellowshyp. ¶ I speke of no deservynge by this daye

For he that wyll saye and nothyng do

Is not worthy with good company to go

Therefore shewe me the greife of your mynde

As to your frende most lorynge and kynde.

every mā. ¶ I shall shewe you how it is

Commannded I am to go a Journaye

A longe waye harde and dangerous

~~And~~ And give a straye counte without delaye

Before the hye Iudge Adonay

Wherfore I pray you bere me company

As ye have promysed in this journaye

fellowshyp. ¶ That is mater in dede promyse is duty

But and I sholde take suche vyage on me
I knowe it well it sholde be to my payne
Also it make me aferde certayne

But let us take counsell here ^{well} as we can
For your wordes wolde fere a stronge man.

Q Why ye sayd yf I had neede ^{every mā.}
Ye wolde me never forsake quicke neede
Thoughe it were to hell truly.

Q So I sayd certaynely ^{sothe} felawshyp
But suche pleasures be set a syde ^{to saye}
And also yf we take suche a journeye
Whan sholde we come agayne.

Q I have never agayne tyll the daye ^{of} ^{come} every mā

Q In fayth than wyll not I come there ^{felawshyp}
Who hath yon these tydynge brought

Q In dede de th was with me here ^{every mā}

Q Now by god that all hath brought ^{felawshyp}

If de th were the messenger

If death ~~was~~ were the messenger
 For no man that is lyvinge to daye
 I wyl not go that lothe journeye
 Not for the fader that bygate me.
 every mā. ¶ Ye promysed other wyse parde.
 felawshyp ¶ I wote well I say so truly
 And yett yf thou wylte ete and drynke and
 make good there
~~every mā~~ Or haunt to women the lusty company
 I wolde not forsake you whyle the daye
 is cleere
 Trust me verily.
 every mā ¶ Ye thereto ye wolde be redy
 To go to myrthe solas and playe
 Your mynde wyl soner apply
 Than to bere me company in my longe
 journeye.

¶ Now in good fayth I wyll not that waye felawshyp
 But and thou wyll murder or any man kyll
 In that I wyll helpe the with a good wyll

¶ O that is a synple aduise in dede every mā
 3.ij. Gentyll felawe ~~shyp~~ helpe me in my necessity

We have loved longe and now I rede
 And now gentyll felawshyp remembre me.

¶ Wheder ye have loved me or no felawshyp
 By saynt John I wyll not with the go

¶ Yet I pray the take the labour I do so every mā
 moche for me

To brynge me forwarde for saynt charyte
 And comforte me tyll I come without
 the towne.

¶ May and thou wolde gyve me a newe felawshyp
 gowne.

I wyll not a fote with the go

But and thou had taryed I wolde not have
lefte the so.

And as now god speede the in thy journeye
For from the I wyll departe as fast as I maye.
every mā. ¶ Whether a waye felawshyp wyll thou
forsake me

felawshyp. ¶ Ye by my faye to god I betake the.
every mā. ¶ Farewell good felawshyp for the my
herte is sore

Adewe forever I shall se the no more
felawshyp. ¶ In fayth every man fare well now at the
ende

For you I wyll remembre that ptynges is
mournyng
every mā. ¶ A lacke shall we this departe in dede.

A lady helpe without any more comforte.

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- 1 | Fellowship [papim]
- 2 | ----- worlde wheder
- 3 | ----- me wolde
- 4 | ----- doth
- 5 | ----- prosperyte. 6. | adversyte
- 7 | ----- socoure shall I flee
- 8 | ----- forsaken me
- 9 | ----- truely
10. | Prayenge ----- hee syte
- 11 | ----- wyll do so
- 12 | ----- not go
- 13 | I wyll go saye for
- 14 | ----- be ye now
- 15 | ----- now at
- 16 | ----- praye
- 17 | In any wyse and not [papim.]
- 19 | --- disposed to go any wheder
- 20 | --- well wyll --- togyder
- 21 | --- welth and woe we wyll --- bolde
- 22 | --- kynne ----- be holde
- 23 | ----- kynnestmen
- 24 | Now shall
- 25 | ----- messenger
- 26 | ----- chefe offycer
- 27 | ----- go a pylgrymage
- 29 | --- gyve a rekenyng.
- 30 | --- grete enemy that

A felowshyp forsaketh the fauour moost nede
 For helpe in this worlde / whither shall I resorte
 Felowshyp here befor with me / wolde meky make
 And nowe I tell for me doth he take
 It is sayd / in prosperite men frendes may fynde
 Whiche in aduersite be full unkynde
 Nowe whither for fauour shall I flye
 Syth that felowshyp hath forsake me
 To my kynnesmen I wyll trewely
 Prayeng them to helpe in my necessite
 I beleue that they will do so
 For kynde wyll crepe where it may nat go
 I will go say / for yonder I se them go
 Where be you now my frendes & kynnesmen
 Here we be now / at your commaundement
 Colyn I pray you shewe by your entent
 In any wise and nat spare
 I ye Every man and to vs declare
 If ye be disposed to go any whither
 For wete you well / we will lyue and dye togider
 In welthe and wo / we will with you holde
 For ouer his kyn a man may be to bolde
 Gramercy my frendes & kinnesmen kynde
 Nowe shall I shewe you the grete of my mynde
 I was commaunded by a messangere
 That is a hye kynges officere
 He bad me go on pilgrymage to my payne
 And I knowe well I shall neuer come agayne
 Also I must gyue rekening strapte
 For I haue a great enemy / that hath me in wapte
 Whiche entendeth me for to hynder
 Every man.

Kynde. What a counte is that whiche ye must reue
That wolde I knowe.

every man. Of all my werkes I must shewe
Howe I haue lyued / and my dayes spent
5 Also of yll dedes that I haue bled
In my tyme syth lyfe was me lent
And of all vertues that I haue refused
Therfore I pray you go thether with me
To helpe to make myne accouite for saynt charite

Colyn. 10 What to go thether / is that the mater
Say Every man / I had lether fast byde & water
All this tyme pere and moze

every man. Alas that euer I was boze
For nowe shall I neuer be mery
If that you forsake me.

Kynde. Ah sy / what ye be a mery man
Take good hert to you / and make no mone
But one thyng I warne you by saynt Anne
As for me ye shall go alone

every man. My colyn will nat with me go.

Colyn. No by our lady / I haue the crampe in my too
Trust nat to me / for so god me spede
I will disceyue you in your moost nede.

Kynde. It anayleth you nat vs to tye
25 ye shall haue my mayde withall my herte
She loueth to go to frestes there to be uple
For to daunce and abyde to sterte
I wyllyue her leaue to helpe you in that iournay
If that you and she may agre.

every man. Nowe shewe me the very effecte of your mynde
31 Will you go with me / or byde behynde

1 -- a counte ---- render
 3 --- workes
 4. --- lyved and

8 --- thyder
 9 --- myn ---- charyte
 10 --- thyder

B. iij. 13 Alas

16 A syr what
 17 --- herte to you and
 20 --- wyll you not
 21 --- lady I
 22 --- not to me
 24 -- awayleth not us
 27 And to daunce
 28 --- leve
 29 --- agree
 30 Now then ----
 31 --- me or abyde

- 1 | Abyde behynde/ye
3. | ...sholde
- 4 | --- fayre promyses
- 7 # | --- farewell now
- 8 | -- veryly
- 9 | -- owne an ---- rekenynge
- 10 | -- to accounte
- 11 | --- now
- 12 | **A** Jesus
- 13 | --- maketh
- 14 | ... promyse and nothyng wyl
- 15 | -- promysed
- 17 | --- awaye --- flee
- 18 | promysed
- 19 | provyde
- 20 | .. lese ... longer to abyde
- 21 | ... thynge
- 22 | ... ryches
- 23 | ... myght
- 24 | He wolde
- 25 | I wyl hym dystrefse
- 26 | ryches.
- 28 | trussed and pyled so hye
- 29 | so fast
- 30 | ... mayst se ... thyn
- 31 | ... not styre in packes lowe I lye.

Byde behinde. ye that will I and I may **lynrede.**

Therfore farewell tyll another day.

Howe shulde I be mery or gladd **every man.**

For feare promesse men to me make

But whan I haue moost nede/they me forsake

I am disceyued/that maketh me sadde.

Cosyn **E**uery man / farewell as nowe **Cosyn.**

For verely I will nat go with you

Also of myne owne lyfe an vncredy rekeninge

I haue to counte/therfore I make taryeng

Nowe god kepe the for nowe I go.

Ah **J**esu is all come hereto **every man.**

No fayre wordes make soles fayne

They promes moche/ & nothing will do cettayne

My kynnes men promised me faythfully

For to abyde with me stedfastly

And nowe fast away do they flye

Euen so felowshyp promised me

What frende were best me of to prouide

I lese my tyme here lenger to byde

yet in my mynde a thinge there is

All my lyfe I haue loued richesse

If that my good nowe helpe me might

It wolde make my herte full lyght

I will speke to him in this distresse

Where art thou my goodes and richesse.

Who calleth me **E**uery mā / what hast thou haste **goodes.**

I lye here in cornes trussed and pyled nye

And in chestes I am locked full fast

Also sacked in bagges / thou maist se with thine eye

I can nat stee / in packes lowe where I lye

Euery man.

B.ii.

What wolde ye haue/lyghtly me say.
 euery man. **C**ome hyther good in all the hast thou may
 good dedes. **F**or of counsaile I must desyre the
 good dedes. **S**y2 & ye in the wolde haue so2owe or aduersite
 5 **T**hat can I helpe you to remedy shortly.
 euery man. **I**t is another disease that greueth me
 In this wolde it is yat/ I tell the so
 I am sent for / another way to go
To gyue a strapte counte generall
 10 **B**efore the byest Iuppter of all
 And all my lyfe. I haue had my pleasure in the
 Therfore I pray the nowe go with me
 For parauenture thou mayst before god almighty
 My rekenyng helpe to clene and purifye
 15 **F**or it is sayd ever amonge
 That money maketh all ryght that is wronge
 good dedes. **N**ay nay / Euery man I synge another song
 I folowe no man in suche byages
 For and I went with the
 20 **T**hou shuldest face moche the worse for me
 For bycause on me thou dyddest set thy mynde
 Thy rekenyng I haue made blotted and blynde
 That thyne accounte / thou can nat make trewely
 And that hast thou for my loue trewely
 euery man. **T**hat wolde greue me full soze
 26 **W**han I shulde come to that ferefull answere
 Up and let vs go thither together
 good dedes. **N**ay nat so / I am to bytell I may nat endure
 I wyll folowe no man / one fote be ye sure
 euery man. **A**llas I haue the loued / and had great pleasure
 31 **A**ll my lyue dapes / on my good and treasoure

- 1 ... saye.
- 2 ... hyder good in al..
- 3 ... counseyll
- 4 ... worlde ... adversyte
- 6 ... dysease

- 11 ... had Joye and pleasure
- 12 ... the go with me

- B. iv.
- 14 ... rekenynge ... purgfyre
 - 15
 - 16 ... wronge.
 - 17 I Nay every man

- 20 ... sholdes
- 21 ... thou dyd
- 22 ... rekenynge
- 23 ... truly
- 24 ... for the love of me.
- 26 ... sholde
- 27 ... hyder togyder
- 28 ... to brytell
- 29 ... folowe man
- 30 grete
- 31 .. lyfe ... on good ... treasure

1. Dampnacyon ... lesynge
- 2 ... love everlastynge
- 3 ... yf ... moderately durynge
- 4 ... parte of me
- 5 ... sholdest ... dolour be
- 6 ... grete
- 7 do now ... deceyved
- 8 ... nyte ... spendynge
- 11 ¶ Naye
- 12 ... whyle ... lente
- 13 ... prosperyte
- 14 ... condycyon
- 16 17 Nay fro this worlde not very le
- 18 ... wende otherwyse
- 21 ... this
- 22 ... done
- 23 ... cursed thou
- 24 ... deceyved
- 27 ... am gladde
- 28 ... laugh
- 29 ¶ A good
- 30 ... sholde
- 31 ... wylte

That is to thy dampnation without leasing **Goodes.**
For my loue is contrary to y loue of euercasting
But if thou had me loved moderately during
As to the poore gyue partes of the loue of me
Than shuldest thou nat in this dolour haue be
For in this great sorowe and care,
Howe now was I disceyued or I was ware **every man.**
And all I may wete myspending of tyme
What wenest thou that I am thynne, **Goodes.**
I had went so, **every man.**
Al Ray Every man I say no **Goodes.**
As for a while I was lent the
A season thou hast had me in prosperite
My condicion is mannes soule to kyll
If I saue one, a thousande I do spyll
Wenest thou that I will folowe the
Ray nat fro this worlde verely,
I had went otherwise **every man.**
Therfore to thy soule good is a these **Goodes.**
For whan thou art deed this is my gyle
Another to desceyue in the same wyle
As I haue do the and all to his soules represe.
O false good/cursed may thou be **every man.**
Thou traytour to god that hast disceyued me
And caught me in thy snare
May thou brought thy selfe in care **goodes.**
Wherof I am right gladde
I must nedes laughe I can nat be sadde
Ah good/thou hast had long my hertely loue **every man.**
I gaue the that whiche shulde be the lordes aboute
But wylt thou nat go with me in dede
Every man. **W. ill.**

I pray the trowth to say.
 Good. **I** so god me spede
 Therefore fare well/and haue good day.
 every man. **O**/ to whom shall I make my mone
 5 For to go with me that heuy iournay
 First felowshyp said/he wolde with me gone
 His wordes were very pleisant and gay
 But afterwarde he lelfe me alone
 Than spake I to my kinnes men all in dispayre
 And also they gaue me wordes fayre
 They lacked no feare speking
 But all forsoke me in the endinge
 Than went I to my goodes that I loued best
 In hope to haue foude cōfort/ but there had I lest
 15 For goodes sharply dyd me tell
 That he bzingeth many into hell
 Than of my lelfe I was a shamed
 And so I am worthy to be blamed
 Thus may I well my lelfe hate
 20 Of whome shall I nowe counsaile take
 I thinke that I shall neuer spede
 Tyll that I go to my good dede
 But alas she is so weke
 That she can nother go ne speke
 25 yet will I venture on her nowe
 My good dedes where be you.
 good dedes. **H**ere I lye colde on the grounde
 Thy sinnes hath me soze bounde
 That I can nat stee.
 every man. **O** good dedes I stande in great feare
 31 I must you pray of counsaile

- 1 .. praye
- 3 ... daye
- 4 whome
- 5 ... in that... Journaye
- 6 Tyrst felawshyp sayd
- 7 ... gaye
- 8 ... lefte
- 9 ... kynnesmen ... dyspayre
- 10 An
- 11 ... fayre spekyng
- 12 ... forsake ... endynge
- 13 ... venter
- 14 ... have comforte ... leest
- 15 my goodes sharpely
- 16 ... bryngeth

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- 20 ... now conseyll
- 24 ... nor speke
- 25 ... venter... now
- 27 ... in the
- 28 ... synnes
- 30 ... stande in fere
- 31 ... counseyll

- 1 For helpe now sholde come ryght well.
 - 2 ... understandynge
 - 3 ... counte
 - 4 ... myssyas of Iherusalem kynge
 - 5 ... wyll
 - 6 ... moone
 - 7 ... praye ... wyll
 - 8 ... veryly
 - 9 ... ony thynge
 - 11 ... partlytely
 - 12 ... of counte
 - 13 ... workes
 - 14 ... under the fete
 - 15 ... hevynes
 - 16 ¶ There ... blynde rekenynge ... dystres.
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- 19 ... praye
 - 20 ... elles ever
 - 21 ... rekenynge
 - 22 ... thynge
 - 23 ... kynge
 - 26 ... counseyll
 - 27 ... veryly
 - 28 Thonghe
 - 31 ... rekenynge

for now we helpe and well.

¶ Every man I haue vnderstanding

That ye be comoned a count to make

Before Mathias of Jerusalem king

¶ And you do by me y^e iourney with you will I take

¶ Therfore I come to you my mone to make

I pray you that ye will go with me.

¶ I wolde full fayne but I can nat stande herely.

¶ Why is there any thinge on you fall.

10 ¶ Ye say I may thanke you of all

If ye had parfytely chered me

Your boke of a count now we fall redy had be

Loke the bokes of your werkes and dedes eke

Alse howe they lye here vnder fete

15 ¶ To your soules heuynesse.

¶ Our lord Jesus helpe me

For one letter here I can nat se.

¶ Here is a blinde rekenyng in tyme of distresse.

¶ Good dedes I pray you helpe me in this neede

20 ¶ Or els I am for ouer dampned in dede

¶ Therfore helpe me to make my rekenyng

Before the redemer of all thinge

That king is and was and euer shall.

¶ Every man I am sorpy of your fall

25 ¶ And fayne wolde I helpe you and I were able.

¶ Good dedes your coufayle I pray you gyue me

¶ That shall I do verely.

¶ Though that on my fete I may nat go

I haue a syster that shall with you also

30 ¶ Called knowledge whiche shall with you abyde

To helpe you to make that o^r defull rekenyng

good dedes.

every man.

good dedes.

every man.

good dedes.

every man.

good dedes.

every man.

good dedes.

every man.

good dedes.

knowlege. ¶ **E**uery man/ I will go with the & be thy guyde
 In thy moost nede to go by thy syde.
every man. ¶ **I**n good condicion I am now in euery thinge
 And am holy content with this good thinge
 5 ¶ **T**hanked be god my creature.
good dedes. ¶ **A**nd whan he hath brought you there
 Where thou shalt heale the of thy smarte
 ¶ **T**han go you with your rekening/ & your good de
 For to make you ioyfull at herte (Des to guyde)
 Before the blessed Trinite
every man. ¶ **M**y good dedes grauntyng
 I am well content certaynly
 With your wordes swete.
knowlege. ¶ **N**ow we go we together louingly
 15 ¶ **T**o confession that clensing cyuere.
every man. ¶ **F**or ioy I wepe/ I wolde we there were
 But I pray you gyue me cognisyon
 Where dwelleth that holy man Confession.
knowlege. ¶ **I**n the howse of saluacion
 20 ¶ **W**e shall fynde him in that place
 That shall vs comfort by goddes grace
 To this is Confession/ kuele downe & aske mercy
 For he is in good conceyte with god almyghty
every man. ¶ **O** glorious fountaine y all vnclenes doth clarify
 25 ¶ **W**ash me fro me the spottes and brecs clene
 That on me no synne may be sene
 I come with knowlege/ for my redemption
 Repent with hert and full contricion
 For I am comaunded a pilgrimage to take
 30 ¶ **A**nd a great countes before god to make
 Nowe I pray you shryfte mother of saluacion

- 1 ... wyll ... gyde
- 3 ... condycyon ... now ... thynge
- 4 ... hole
- 5 ... by ... creatour
- 7 ... shalte kele
- 8 ... rekenynge ... togyder
- 10 ... trynyle

- 14 ... togyder lovynghly
- 15 ... confesyon ... clensynge
- 16 ... were there
- 17 ... cognycyon
- 18 ... confesyon

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- 20 ... hym
- 21 ... shall comforte
- 22 ... confesyon
- 23 ... almyghty
- 24 ... glorious fountayne ... claryfy
- 25 ... spottes of vyce undene
- 27 ... redempcyon
- 28 Redempte .. herte ... contracyon
- 29 ... pylgrymage
- 30 ... grete accountes
- 31 ... praye ... salvacyon

- 1 Helpe my ... dedes ... piteous exclamacion
- 2 ... comforte
- 3 ... precyous
- 4 ... penance voyce voyder
- 5 Therewith
- 6 ... abstinence ... servyce
- 7 ... you
- 8 To remembre
- 9 ... patiently
- 10 ... y^e or thou scape that paynful pilgrymage
- 11 ... only
- 12 ... graunte truly
- 13 ... hym
- 20
- 21 ... gracious
- 22 ... now ... begyn
- 23 ... hath rejoyced
- 24 ... paynful
- 25 ... Knowledge shall ... counseyll
- 26 How ... accounte
- 27 ... heavenly
- 28 ... rightwysekes ... vnyon
- 29 ... dyscended ... vnygyn

- Helpe hyder my good dedes/for my pitous exclama-
 10 I knowe your sorowe well euery man (cion. Confession.
 Bycause with knowlege ye come to me
 I wyl you comfort/as well as I can
 5 And a precious iewel I wyl gyue the
 Called penaunce/boyder of aduersyte
 There with shall your body chastysed be
 With abstinence & perseuerance/in goddes seruite
 Here shall ye receyue that scourge of me
 10 Whiche is penaunce stronge/that ye must endure
 Remembre thy sauour was scourged for the
 With sharpe scourges/and suffered it patiently
 So must thou/or thou passe thy pilgrimage
 Knowlege kepe hym in this byage
 15 And by that tyme/good dedes wyl be with the
 But in any wyse be seker of mercy
 For your tyme draweth fast/and ye wyl saued be
 Aske god mercy/and he wyl graunt it the
 Whan wyl scourge of penaunce/ma doth him bynde
 20 The oyle of forgyuenesse/than shall he fynde.
 Thanked be god/for this gracious werke
 For nowe I wyl my penaunce begynne
 This hath me reioyled/and lyghred my herte
 Though y knottes be paynfull/& harde within.
 25 Every man/loke your penaunce that ye fulfyll
 What payne that euer it to you be
 And I shall gyue you counsaile at wyl
 Howe your account/ye shall make clerely
 30 O eternall god/O heuynly fygure
 O way of right wysenesse/O goodly visyon
 Whiche descended downe in a virgyn pure

euery man.

knowlege.

euery man.

Bycause he wolde euery man redeme
 Whiche Adam forsayted by his disobedience
 O blessed godhead electe / and hye deupne
 Forgyue me my greuous offence
 5 Here I crye the metey in this ptesence
 O goostly treasour / O mercyfull redeimer
 Of all the worlde / hope and conuiter
 Myrtour of ioy / foundation of mercy
 Whiche illumyneth heuen and erthe therby
 10 Here my clamorous complaynt though it late be
 Receyue my prayers vnworthy in this heuy lyfe
 Though I be a synner / moost abhominable
 yet let my name be witten / in Moyses table
 O Mary / pray to the maker of all thinge
 15 Hefor to helpe / at my endinge
 And saue me fro the power of my enemy
 For deth assayleth me strongly
 And lady / that I may by meane of thy prayer
 Of your sonnes glozie / to be partinere
 20 By the meane of his passion / I it craue
 I beseeke you helpe me my soule to saue
 knowlege / gyue me the scourge of penance
 My fleshe therewith shall haue aquaintaunce
 I will nowe begynne / if god gyue me grace.
 25 Every man / god gyue you tyme and space
 Thus I bequeth you / in y handes of our sautour
 Nowe may you make your rekening sure.
 every man. In the name of all the hole Trinite
 My body punished soze shalbe
 30 Take this body / for the synne of the fleshe
 Also thou delpted to go gay and freshe

2 --- dysobedyence

3 --- blefyd

6 --- treasure . O raunsomer and redemer

7 --- condyter

8 --- Joye foundatour

9 --- enlumyneth ... erth

12 --- abhomyable

13 --- wryten

14 --- praye ... thynge

15 --- endynge

19 --- sones glory ... partynere

20 --- meanes ... passyon

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23 --- therwith shall gyve acqneyntaunce

24 .. wyll .. begyn yf

26 .. savyour

27 Now rekenynge

28 ... Grynge

29 ^{sore} ... pynnyshed shall be

31 .. delytest

- 1 ... dampnaey on
 - 2 ... punyshynge
 - 3 Now of
 - 4 ... from
 - 5 ... now
 - 6 .. delyvered ... sykenesse
 - 7 ... I wyll go and not
 - 8 ... workes ... wyll ... hym
 - 9 **C** now
 - 10 ... cometh now [passim]
 - 12 Gynge upryght upon
 - 13 .. herte is lyght
 - 14 Now wyll ... dyde
 - 15 .. pylgryme ... spreyall
 - 16 Blesyd
 - 19 ... wyll ... the in every
 - 20 ... voyce
 - 21 ... swetes
-
- 23 .. lyvynge
 - 25 ... teres
 - 26 ... elles ... you ... myse
 - 27 ... journeys
 - 28 **I** gentyll ... yet it
 - 29 **I** It is a garment
 - 30 ... payne ... wyll
 - 31 Contrycyon

And in the way of dāpnacion thou dyd me brynge
 Therfore suffre now strokes of punysshing
 Nowe of penaunce I wyll wade the water clere
 To saue me fro purgatoꝝ that sharpe fyre
 5 I thanke god nowe / I can walke and go
 And am deliuered of my sickenelle and wo.
 Therfore with Euery man will I go & nat spare
 His good werkes I will helpe him to declare.
 I Nowe Euery man be mery and glad
 10 your good dedes cometh nowe / ye may nat be sad
 Nowe is your good dedes hole and sounde
 Goyng by right on the grounde.
 I My hert is light / and shalbe euer moze
 Nowe will I smyte faster than I dyd befoze
 15 I Euery man pilgrimage my speciall frende
 Blessed be thou without ende
 For the is preparate the eternall gloꝝe
 ye haue me made hole and sounde
 Therfore I will byde by the euery stounde.
 20 I Welcome my good dedes now / I here thy voice
 I wepe for very swetnesse of loue.
 I Be no moze sad but euer reioyce
 God seeth thy liuyng in his trone aboue
 Put on thy garment to thy behoue
 25 Whiche is wette with your teares
 Or els befoze god ye may it misse
 Whan ye to your iournayes ende come shall.
 I Gentill knowlege / what do you it call
 I It is called the garment of sorowe
 30 fro paine it will you bozowe
 Contricion it is

good dedes.

knowlege.

euery man.

good dedes.

euery man.

knowlege.

euery man.

knowlege.

That getteth forgyuenesse
 He pleaseth god passyng well.
 good dedes. **E**uery man/ will ye weare it for your heale.
 euery man. **N**owe blessed be Jesu Maryes sonne
 For now we haue **I** one trewe contricion
 And let vs go now without tarpeng
 Good dedes/ haue we clere our rekenyng.
 good dedes. **E**ye in dede/ **I** haue them here.
 euery man. **T**han **I** trust we nede nat to feare
 Nowe fryndes/ let vs nat departe atwayne.
 Byrede. **N**ap euery man/ that wyll we nat certayne
 good dedes. **E**yet must thou leade with the
 Thre persones of great myght
 euery man. **W**ho shulde they be.
 good dedes. **D**iscrecion and strength they hight
 And thy beauty may nat byde behynde.
 knowlege. **A**lso ye must call to mynde
 your fyue wyttes/ as for your counsaylours.
 good dedes. **Y**ou must haue them redy/ at all houres.
 euery man. **N**owe shall **I** geate them them hyder.
 Byrede. **Y**ou must call them all togyder
 And they wyll here you in contynent.
 euery man. **M**y frendes come hyder and be pzent
 Discrecion/ strength/ my fyue wyttes and beautie
 Beautye. **H**ere at your wyll we be redy
 What wolde ye that we shulde do.
 good dedes. **T**hat ye wolde with **E**uery man go.
 And helpe hym in his pilgrymage
 Advise you/ will ye w him go or nat in this byage.
 Strength. **W**e wyll brynge hym all thither
 To helpe and comfort him/ ye may beleue me.

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- 2 ... papyngge
- 3 ... wyll you were hele
- 4 Now blesyd ... marges sone
- 5 ... on true contricyon
- 6 ... lette .. now ... taryenge
- 7 ... rekenyngge
- 8 ... have here
- 9 ... not fere
- 10 Now frendes ... not parte in twayne
- 12 ... led
- 13 ... grete
- 14 ... shode
- 15 A Dyscreyoun
- 16 ... beante ... not abyde
- 18 ... counseyllours
- 20 ... gette

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- 24 Discreyoun, strengthe ... beante
- 25 ... be all redy
- 26 ... wyll ye
- 28 ... pylgrymage
- 29 Advyse ... wyll ... him or not ... that
- 30 ... thyder
- 31 To his helpe ... comforte ye ... byleve

- 1 ... wyll ... hym ... togyder
 - 2 Almyghty ... myght
 - 4 ... dyscrecyon
 - 6 ... in my company ...
 - 7 ... besynes
 - 8 ... wyll ... dystres
 - 9 ... thou wolde ... fyght
 - 10 ... through
 - 11 ... he soure
 - 12 ... wyll
 - 14 ... aduise ... fyrst
 - 15 ... aduysment and delyberacyon
 - 16 ... monycyon
 - 17 ... shall be
 - 18 ... harken what I wyll tell
 - 19 ... praye ... heven spere
 - 21 ... wyll
 - 23 ... almes ... I wyll gyve
 - 24 ... charyte ... entent
-
- 26 In queth
 - 27 ... despyte
 - 29 ... after and this day
 - 30 ... harken what I saye
 - 31 ... presthode

C So will we go with him all together
C Almightie god loued may thou be
I gyue the laude that I haue byden brought
Strength/ Discreciō/ Beautie. v. wittes lacke
5 And my good dedes w knowlege clere (nought
All be in company at my will here
I desyre no moze to my businesse.
C And I strength will by you stande in distresse
Though I wolde in batayle fight on the grounde
10 **C** And though it were thozowe y worlde rounde
We will nat departe for swete ne for souer
C No moze will I vnto Dethes houre
What so euer therof befall
C Every man aduise you first of all
15 **G**o with a good aduisement and deliberacion
We all gyue you herennys money sum
That all shalbe well
C My frendes hark what I will you tell
I pray god teward you in his heuently spere
20 **N**owe hearken all that I here
For I will shew you a way
Here before you all present
In almesse halfe my good I gyue with my handes
In y way of charite with good intent (twayne
25 **A**nd the other halfe shill shall remayne
It bequethe to be retourned there it ought to be
This I do in despite of the fendes of hell
To go quyte out of his perell
Euer after this day
30 **C** Every man harken what I will say
Go to preesthode I you aduise
Every man.

Discrecion
every man.

Strength.

v. wittes.

Beautye.

Discrecion

every man.

knowlege.

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And receyue of him in any wyse
 The holy sacrauent and opntement to gyde
 Than thowtyle perourne agayne hyder
 We will all abyde you here
b. wyttes. 5 **E**very man / the you that peredy were
 There is no emperour / kyng / duke ne baron
 That of god hath commissyon
 As hath the lest preest in the worlde beynge
 For of the blessed sacramentes pure and benigne
 He bereth the keyes / and therof hath cuse
 For mannes redemption it is ever sure
 Whiche god for our soules medycyne
 Gaue vs out of his herte with great payne
 Here in this transtoype lyf for the and me
 15 **T**he blessed sacramentes whiche be
 Baptyme / confirmation / with preesthode / god
 And y sacramet of goddes precious fleshe & blode
 Mary age the holy extreme unction / & penance
 These be the gods to have in remembrance
 20 **G**racious sacramentes of goddes benygne
 every man. **I**f ayne wolde I receyue that holy body
 And mekely to my goostly father I praye
b. wyttes. 25 **E**very man / that is the best that be dail
 God will you to saluacion bynge
 25 For preesthode exceedeth all other thyng
 As by holy scripture they do teche
 And conuerteth man fro synne heuen to reche
 God hath to them moze power gyven
 Than to any aungell that is in heuen
 30 **W**ith .v. wordes he may consecrate
 Goddes body in fleshe and blode to take

- 1 ... hym ... ony
- 2 ... togyder
- 4 ... wyll
- 6 ... kynge
- 7 ... com mycyon
- 9 ... blepyd ... benygne
- 10 ... keyes ... the cure
- 11 ... redempcyon
- 12 ... medycyne
- 13 ... grete
- 14 ... transytory
- 15 ... blepyd
- 16 baptyſm conſyrmacyon
- 17 ... prynces ... blod
- 18 ... uncyon
- 19 ... seven
- 20 gracious ... devynyle
- 22 ... ghosly fader ... wyll
- 24 ... wyll ... ſalvacyon
- 25 ... ſcrypture
- 29 ... ony
- 31 ... to make



- 1 ... hande
- 4 ... mynystres
- 5 ... kyfse
- 6 ... arte surgyon
- 7 ... remedy we
- 8 ... all only preesthode
- 9 ... dygnyte
- 10 ... setteh ... us to be
- 11 ... aungelles ... degree
- 13 ... hangyd ... grete
- 14 ... he gave out ... blefyd
- 15 ... grete
- 16 ... solde ... not to us that ... omnytpotent
- 17 ... dothe
- 18 ... hath all
- 19 ... theyr ... by
- 20 ... ony ... take or tell
- 21 Synfull ... synners
- 22 theyr chyldren ... mēnes
- 25 ... with synne
- 26
- 27 ... honour
- 28 ... theyr doctryne ... socoure
- 29 ... theyr ... shepeherdes
- 30 ... whome ... kepte
- 31 Peas

And handeleth his maker betwene his handes
 The preeft byndeth/ and byndeth all bandes
 Bothe in erthe and in heuen
 Thou mynsters all the sacramentes seven
 5 Though we kyst thy fete thou were worthy
 Thou art the surgan that cureth synne deedly
 No remedy may we fynde vnder god
 But alone on preesthode
 Euery man god gaue preeft that dignite
 10 And letteth them in his stede amonge vs be
 Thus be they aboue aungels in degre.
 ¶ If preestes be good it is so suerly
 But whan Iesu henge on y crasse w great smarte
 There gaue he vs out of his blessed herte
 15 The same sacrament in great tourment
 Beholde them nat to that lozde omnipotent
 Therfoze saynt Peter the apostell do the say
 That Iesus curse haue all they
 Whiche god their sauyour do bye o sell
 20 O they for any money do take o sell
 Sinfull preestes/ gyveth the finners example bad
 Their children sytteth by other mens fyres I haue
 And some haupeteth womens company (harde
 With vnclene lyfe/ as lustes of Lechery
 25 These be without synne made blynde.
 ¶ I trust to god no suche may we fynde
 Therfoze let vs preesthode honoure
 And folowe their doctrine for our soules socour
 We be their shepe/ and they shephardes be
 30 By w hom we all be kept in suerte
 Peace/ for yonder I se Euery man come
 Euery man.

knowlege.

b. wyttes.

C. it.

good dedes. **Whiche hath made true satisfaction.**
 every man. **I thinke it is the iusteste**
I haue receyued the sacrament for my redemption
 5 **And myne extreme unction**
Blessed be all they that counsayled me to take it
And nowe frendes/let vs go without léger respite
I thanke god that ye haue tarped so longe
Nowe set eche of you on this rodde his hande
 10 **And shortly folowe me**
I go befoze there I wolde be
God be our guyde.
 Strength. **Every man/we will nat fro you go**
Tyll ye haue gone this vyage longe.
 Discrecion/5 **I Discrecion will byde by you also**
 knowlege. **And though this pilgrimage be neuer so strong**
I will neuer part you fro.
 Strength. **Every man I will be as sure by the**
As euer I was by Judas Machabe.
 every man. 20 **Alas/ I am faynt I may nat stande**
My lynnes vnder me do folde
Frendes/let vs nat turne agayne to this lande
Nat for all the worldes golde
For in to this caue must I crepe
 25 **And tozne to the ethe and there slepe.**
 Beautye. **What in to this graue/alas**
 every man. **Cye/there shall we consume moze and lesse**
 Beautye. **And what shulde I smoder here**
 every man. **Cye be my fay/and neuer moze appere**
 30 **In this worlde lyue no moze we shall**
But in heven befoze the hpest lorde of all

- 1 ... satisfaccyon
- 2 me thynke
- 3 ¶ Now ... your
- 4 ... redempcyon
- 5 And than ... unccyon
- 6 Blesyd ... counseyled
- 7 ... now ... longer respyte
- 9 Now ... honde
- 10 ... shortly
- 12 ... ~~sp~~ your gyde
- 15 -- Dyscrecyon wyll
- 16 ... pylgrymage ... stronge
- 17 ... wyll ... parte
- 18 Every man ... wyll. NB. This & the following line, are
- 19 ... I dyd ... Machabee printed as part of
- 20 ... so faynt ... not knowledges speech
- 21 ... doth
- 22 ... tourne
- 25 .. tourne to erth and there to slepe

Beaute passim

27 ... ye

Beaute ... shode

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29 ... fayth

1. The first part of the paper is devoted to a general
description of the country and its inhabitants.
The second part is devoted to a description of the
climate and the soil.

General Description

The country is situated in the north-west
corner of the island. It is bounded on the north
by the sea and on the south by the mountains.

The climate is temperate and the soil is fertile.
The inhabitants are of the same race as the
people of the other parts of the island.

The principal occupations of the inhabitants are
agriculture and stock raising. They also engage
in some commerce with the other parts of the island.

The principal towns are situated on the coast.
The largest town is situated on the north-west
corner of the island.

The principal products of the country are sugar,
cotton, and rice. They also produce some
other articles of value.

The principal exports of the country are sugar,
cotton, and rice. They also export some
other articles of value.

- 1 ... adewe ... Johan
- 3 ... whyder wyll
- 4 ... not behynde
- 5 ... woldest
- 6 ... wherto ... I truste
- 7 ... gothe ... awaye frome
- 8 She promysed
- 9 ... wyll
- 11 ... wyll
- 12 Swete strength tary a lytel space
- 14 ... wyll ... from
- 15 ... to thy herte to braft
- 16 ... ever by De
- 17 ... ynoughe
- 19 ... pylgrimage
- 20 ... hyder
- 21 ... dysplease
- 22 wyll ye breke promyse that is dette
- 23 ¶ In fayth I care not
- 24 ... arte
- 25 You spende your ... wast your
- 26 -- thurst
- 27 ... wende ... shote
- 28 But he that trusteth
- 29 She hym deceyvet

- 30 ... forsaketh
- 31 ... promysed me fayre and lovynghly

I crosse out all this adieu by sayn I hope
I take my tappe in my tappe and am gone
What Beaute/ whether will you be my
Deas I am desirous to be nat behinde me
At & thou woldest give me all thy golde in thy chest
Alas/ where to map I now trust
Beaute dothe fast away thy
He promised with me to lye and dye
Every man I will the also forsake and denye
Thy game lyketh me nat at all
Why than ye will forsake me all
Strength say I pray you a litle space
May say by the robe of grace
I will hye me fro the fast
Though thou wepest all thy hett brast
I ye wolde ever haue byde by me ye sayd
I ye I haue you ferre ynough conueyed
ye be olde ynoughe I vnderstande
your pilgrimage to take on hande
I repent me that I hether came
Strength you to displease I am to blame
yet promise is dette/ this ye well wot
In faythe as for that I care not
Thou art but a foole to complayne
Thou spendest thy speche and wastest thy brayne
Go truste the into the grounde
I had went surer I shulde you haue founde
But I se well/ he that trusteth in his strength
Is greatly discepued at the length
For Strength and Beaute/ hath forsaken me
yet they promised me stedfast to be
Every man.

Discrecion. Every man I will after strength be gone
 As for me I will leave you alone
every man. Why Discrecion will ye forsake me
Discrecion. I ye in good faith I will go to the ma
 5 For whan strength is gone before
 Than I folow after ever more
every man. Yet I pray the for love of the Criste
 Take in my grave and thou shalt see
Discrecion. Nay forye I will not come
 10 Nowe farewell felowes everychone
every man. O all thinge fayleth save god alone
 Beaute/ Strength/ and Discrecion
 For whan Deth bloweth his blast
 They all runne away fro the fast
b. wyttes. Every man of the howe I leave I take
 I will folowe the other for here I the forsake
every man. Alas than may I bothe weyle and wepe
 For I toke you for my best frende
b. wyttes. I will no lenger the kept
 20 Nowe farewell and here an ende
every man. Some helpe all hath forsaken me
good dedes. Nay Every man I with a byde with the
 I will nat forsake the in need
 Thou shalt fynde me a good frende at need
every man. Gramercy good dedes may I true frendes se
 They haue forsake me everychone
 I loved them better than my good dedes alone
knowlege. I ye Every man/ whan you to Deth shall go
 30 But nat yet for no maner of daungere
every man. Gramercy knowlege with all my hert

- 1 ... wyll ... be gone
- 2 ... wyll live
- 3 -- Dyscreyon wyll
- 4 -- in fayth ... wyll
- 5 ... goth before
- 6 I folowe
- 7 ... Gynnyte
- 8 ... grave ones piteously
- 9 ... wyll I not
- 10 Farewell everyone
- 11 ... thynge
- 12 ... Dyscreyon
- 13 ... blast
- 14 ... renne fro me full fast
- 15 -- my leve now of the I take
- 16 I wyll
- 17 ... I wayle
- 18 ... wyll
- 19 Now ... there
- 20 O Jesu
- 21 ... wyll byde
- 22 I wyll not
- 23 -- shalte
- 24 ... forsaken
- 25 -- wyll
- 26 -- ye to
- iiij. 30 ... not ... dawnger
- 31 ... my herte

- 1 ... not from
 - 2 ... be come
 - 3 **C**ome thynke ... be gone
 - 4 ... rekenyng
 - 5 ... awaye
 - 6 ... example
 - 7 How ... loue best do forsake
 - 8 Excepte ... truly
 - 9 ... earthly thynges ... vanyte
 - 10 ... dyscrecyon
 - 12 ... fleeth
 - 13 ... myghty
 - 14 ... mayde holy Mary
 - 15 ... not I wyll
 - 17 **S**horte ... mynyshe
 - 19 ... lorde
 - 22 ... booste
 - 23 ... blesyd hooft
 - 25 ... myghtes
 - 27 ... we all shall
 - 28 The good
 - 29 Now ... endyng
 - 30 Me thynketh ... anngelles
 - 31 ... make grete
-
- 32 ... receyved shall be

May yet I will nat fro hens departe
Tyll I se where ye shall become.

He thinketh alas that I must begone
To make my eukening/and my dettes paye

For I se my tyne is nipe spent away

Take ensample all ye that this do here or se

Howe they that I loved best/nowe forsake me

Except my good dedes that by deeth trewly

All erthely thinges is but vaine

Beaute/ Strength/ & Distrecion do man forsake

Folysse frendes and kynnes men that saye spake

All flyeth save good dedes/ and that am I

Have mercy on me god moost mighty

And stande by me then in myder & mayde Mary

Here nat/ I will speake for the

Here I crye god mercy on disolde & decayde

Short our gende and myrthe she our payne mo

Let vs go and neuer come agayne

Into thy handes lordes my soule I comende

Receyve it lord that it be nat losse

As thou me boughtest so me defende

And save me fro the fendes bothe

That I may appere with that blessed hoste

That shall be saved at the day of dome

In manns tuas of mightes moost

For ever comende spiritum meum

Nowe hath he suffred that we shall endure

Thy good dedes shall make all sure

Nowe hath he made ending

He thinke that I here aungete spage

And maketh great ioy and melody

Where every mannes soule shall receyved be

knowlege

every man.

good dedes.

every man.

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every man.

knowlege.

the nigen. ¶ Come excellent elect spouse of Jhesu

Here aboute thou shalt goe

By cause of thy singular vertue is thy name

Howe thy soule is taken thy body fro

¶ Thy reckning is the same

Howe shall thou into the citye be taken

Unto the inche all ye shall come

That lyeth well / over the way of our

Doctour. ¶ This memoryll may be had

ye heere take it from the

And reuerend be the

They all are of the same

Such is the good be

But beware / for

Before god he hath no helpe

None shall be

Alas howe shall he

For a fre deliuerance

20 For than mercy and pure

If his reckning be

God will say / he

And he that hath

He in heuyn be

25 Unto whiche place / god bringe us all

That we may haue body and soule together

¶ He to helpe the Trinite

Amen say ye / for saynt charite

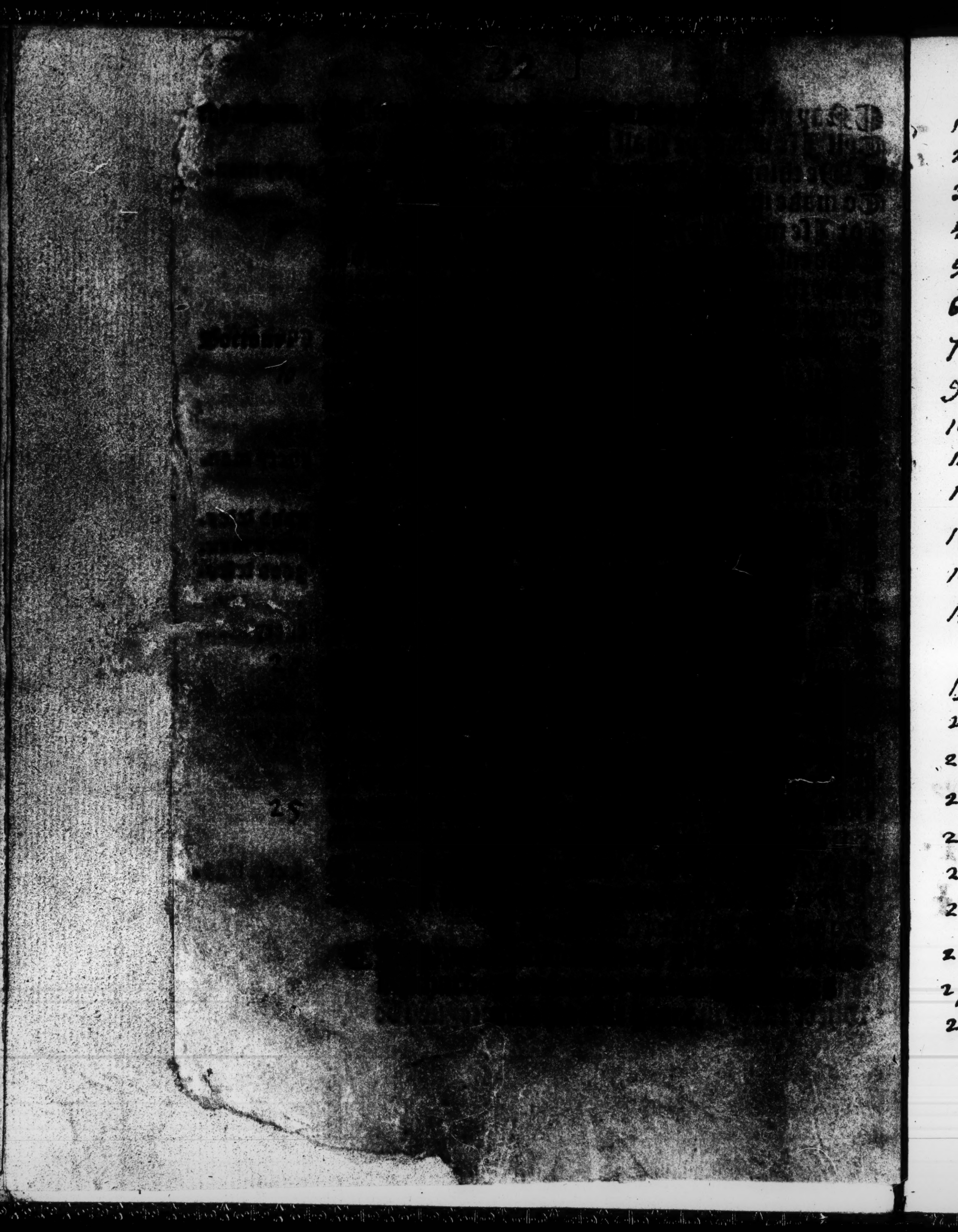
¶ Amen

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most noble grace

- 1 ... excellent
- 2 ... shalte
- 3 ... synguler
- 4 Now the soule ... the
- 5 ... rekyngge ... crystall
- 6 Now shalte ... heavenly
- 7 ... before the daye
- 9 ... morall
- 10 ... of worth
- 11 ... the ende
- 12 ... wythes ... dyscrecyon
- 13 ... at the last
- 14 ... dothe he take
- 15 ... beware and
- 19 ... de the
- 20 ... doth hym
- 21 ... rekyngge be not ... he doth
- 22 ... wyll saye
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- 27 ... Trinity
- 28 ... saye ... sharyte



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Thus endeth this morall playe of every man.

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Iohn Skot.



Underneath is a pretty large wooden cut
representing Skots' Cypher in a Scutcheon
~~supported by two griffins~~, hanging on
a rose tree, & supported by two griffins.

A greyhound lying & looking back at
the foot of the rose tree. On the four
sides of the wooden cut runs this le-
gend in

TELEVENTVRE · FOVT
VIENT · ADONIT · QVI · DEVE
ATTENDRE · FOR · NHOT

Skots' Cypher

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Secretary and Jealousy.

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